

## Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D.C. 20535

September 1, 2010

MR. DOUGLAS M. CHARLES OFFICE OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS PENN STATE GREATER ALLEGHENY 4000 UNIVERSITY DRIVE MCKEESPORT, PA 15132 7698

FOIPA Request No.: 1152724-000

Subject: HULL, BOB

Dear Mr. Charles:

The records that you have requested were previously processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act for another requester.

Enclosed are 54 pages of documents pertaining to your request and a copy of the explanation of exemptions.

You may file an appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), U.S. Department of Justice, 1425 New York Ave., NW, Suite 11050, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001. Your appeal must be received by OIP within sixty (60) days from the date of this letter in order to be considered timely. The envelope and the letter should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so that it may be identified easily.

Very truly yours,

David M. Hardy Section Chief,

Record/Information

Dissemination Section
Records Management Division

- (k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service the release of which would compromise the testing or examination process;
- (k)(7) material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished the material pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence.

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### EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS

### SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552

- (b)(1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified to such Executive order;
- (b)(2) related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;
- (b)(3) specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than section 552b of this title), provided that such statute(A) requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on issue, or (B) establishes particular criteria for withholding or refers to particular types of matters to be withheld;
- (b)(4) trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential;
- (b)(5) inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency;
- (b)(6) personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (b)(7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information (A) could be reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, (B) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, (C) could be reasonably expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, (D) could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of confidential source, including a State, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, information furnished by a confidential source, (E) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law, or (F) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual;
- (b)(8) contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions; or
- (b)(9) geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

### SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552a

- (d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;
- (j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;
- (k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;
- (k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;
- (k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;
- (k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;

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In 1950 subject was connected with the Hollywood Arts, Sciences and Professions and in September, 1951 he was reported as a member of this organization.

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FREDERICK C. PRICE, Los Angeles file 100-32636, of unknown reliability, appeared voluntarily at the Los Angeles Division on August 31, 1950 to put himself on record as having disassociated himself with the Civil Rights Congress, the Communist Party of Los Angeles County, and the California Labor School. PRICE stated that subject ROBERT HULL sponsored him into the Communist Party on June 30, 1950. PRICE also advised that subject was a homo-sexual.

There is no further information concerning HULL in the files of the Los Angeles Division other than stated above.

The files of the Los Angeles Division contain the following information regarding subject CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND:

Subject is currently being maintained on the Security Index of this office. ROWLAND currently is residing with HULL, is single and employed as a clerk at the Morris Furniture Manufacturing Company, 4433 South Alameda, Los Angeles, California. He is of the white race. ROWLAND was inducted into the U.S. Army on December 22, 1942 at Fort Snelling, Minnesota. Subject's Army Serial No. is 37545297. He was honorably discharged March 7;,1946 as Staff Sergeant at Camp Grant, Illinois. During the time ROWLAND served with the Army his occupation was that of Educational Instructor.

Subject has FBI Identification No. 5085792.

Subject subsequent to his discharge from the U.S. Army returned to Gary, South Dakota and assumed the position of Field Secretary of the newspaper "The Plainsman", published by the American Veterans Committee.

In Minneapolis, Minnesota, subject in 1947 was placed on the Communist Party Veterans Commission and Youth Commission. He was also active in the American Veterans Commission and also was Minnesota State Executive Secretary of the American Youth for Democracy which sponsored the appearance of GERHART EISLER in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Minneapolis informants state that subject in 1947 and 1948 was a member of the Communist Party in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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In March, 1948 subject was reported to be Executive Secretary of the American Youth for Democracy in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Subject in 1948 according to Minneapolis informents was in constant contact with officials of the Communist Party, District No. 9 and was a member of various committees in connection with American Youth for Democracy activities. Subject in July, 1948 in the capacity of Executive Secretary of the American Youth for Democracy at Minneapolis authorized various telegrams directed to the U.S. State Department urging immediate issuance of passports of the delegates of the American Youth for Democracy to attend the International Conference of working youth to be held in Warsaw.

Subject on January 1, 1948 attended a New Year's Eve party sponsored by the Student Section of the Communist Party in Minneapolis, Minnesota. In 1948 he attended meetings of the American Youth for Democracy and was also Minnesota State Chairman of this organization. ROWLAND in December, 1948 attended a meeting of the YPA on the campus of the University of Minnesota. In 1949 ROWLAND was a member of the AYD'in Minneapolis, Minnesota and a subscriber to the "Daily Worker" and the "Worker".

ROWLAND left Minneapolis around March 1, 1949 to seek employment in California. On March 1, 1950, subject while registering to vote, stated his intention to affiliate with the Independent Progressive Party.

Informants of the Los Angeles Division, advised that they had no information to indicate that the subject was active in the LACCP. These informants covered Norwalk, California, subject residence, surrounding localities of Norwalk, California and Communist Party activity in Los Angeles County.

Inasmuch as informants have reported ROBERT BOOTH HULL expelled from the LACCP and there has been no Communist activity on subject's part since July, 1950 with the exception of membership in the Hollywood Arts, Sciences and Professions in September, 1951, it is requested that Bureau authority be granted to interview HULL to ascertain any information he may possess concerning his past Communist Party activities.

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In view of ROWLAND's apparent inactivity in Communist Party activities since his arrival in Los Angeles from Minneapolis in 1949 with the exception of registering affiliation with the Independent Progressive Party, it is requested that Bureau authority be granted to interview him for any information he may possess concerning the Communist Party.

It is pointed out that both subjects have been reported in the past as being homo-sexuals.

In the event authority is granted to interview subjects it is also requested that should circumstances arise whereby both subjects are present at time of contact, Bureau permission is requested to interview them jointly.

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## DETAILS:

All informants in this report are shown by T-symbols and are of known reliability unless otherwise indicated.

The Los Angeles County Communist Party will be referred to in this report as the LACCP.

This investigation is predicated upon information from T-3 who stated that subject in May, 1950 was a member of the South Tashjian Club, Midtown Division, LACCP.

## I. BACKGROUND

## A. Name:

Records Bureau of Vital Statistics, State Office Bldg. St. Paul, Minn.

Subject's birth record reflected his true name as ROBERT BOOTH HULL.

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Informant advised in Aug. 1951 that subject while a resident in Minneapolis was commonly known as BOB HULL.

## B. Birth Data:

Records Bureau of Vital Statistics, State Office Bldg. St. Paul, Minn.

Subject was born May 31, 1918 in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

## C. Citizenship:

Records Bureau of Vital Statistics, State Office Bldg. St. Paul, Minn.

Subject through birth in the United States is an American citizen.

## D. Education:

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Records University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota

Miss JANICE BRIER advised SA that subject entered the University of Minnesota Institute of Technology -Chemistry on Jan. 4, 1940 and received a degree of Bachelor of Chemistry on June 12, 1943. He transferred to the university from the St. Louis Institute of Music. On Nov. 6, 1943 subject entered the University of Minnesota Graduate School and enrolled in several agricultural bio-chemistry courses. This registration was cancelled in the winter quarter of 1947. University records further. reflect that subject attended the Minnesota College of Music graduating on May 29, 1936.

## E. Marital Status:

T-2, of unknown reliability, an acquaintance of subject

Informant stated in June, 1952 that subject was not married.

## F. Military Service Record:

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Informant advised in Aug. 1950 that subject was classified 4F during World War II.

## G. Identification Record:

Records of Los Angeles Police Dept. and County Sheriff's Office

The records of the Los Angeles Police Dept. and the Sheriff's Office as checked by SE JOHN W. DAVIS on Feb. 4, 1952, reflect that subject, LAPD #160516, was arrested on Jan. 26, 1951

on a charge of violation of MC42.11.1 (loitering in bus depot). Subject was sentenced to \$25 or 5 days. He paid the fine on Feb. 9, 1951. Subject's fingerprint classification is

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## H. Employment:

Records University of Minnesota Graduate School, Minneapolis, Minn.

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Records McPhail School of Music, La Salle Avenue, Minneapolis, Minn.

T-4, of unknown reliability, a former acquaintance of subject.

Subject's education record at the university graduate school in 1947 reflects that he had been employed as a chemist by Spencer Kellogg & Sons, Inc. No address or dates were listed. References of subject were shown as WALTER MOE, Spencer Kellogg & Sons; Dr. W. TAUER, Chemistry Dept, University of Minnesota; Mr. N. H. GRAHAM, General Mills, Minneapolis, Minn.

Records of this school indicate that subject was a student and part-time teacher from Nov. 1946 to April, 1947 and that he also taught part-time from Nov. 1948 to July, 1949.

Informant advised in Dec. 1950 that subject was employed as a teacher at the Neighborhood Music School, 358 S. Boyle, Los Angeles, Calif. from Oct. 20, 1949 to the summer of 1950.

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Informant advised in Aug. 1951 that subject while a resident of Minneapolis, Minn. was a concert planist.

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In the latter part of June, 1952 subject was employed in the laboratory at the Calif. Flax Seed Products Co., 3135 E. 26th Street, Vernon, Calif.

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Subject as of June 24, 1952 was working in the laboratory of the Calif. Flax Seed Products Co., 3135 E. 26th Street, Vernon, California.

## I. Residence:

Records of University of Minnesota Graduate School, Minneapolis, Minn.

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T-9, of unknown reliability, a former acquaintance of subject

T-4, of unknown reliability, a former acquaintance of subject

In 1943 subject's residence was shown as 285 Buford St. St. Paul, Minn.

Informant advised in March, 1948 that subject resided at 303 Aurora, St. Paul, Minn.

Subject as of Oct. 11, 1948 was residing at 324 12th Avenue Southeast, Minneapolis, Minn.

BOB HULL as of Aug. 1950 resided at 533 S. Manhattan, Los Angeles, Calif.

Informant advised in Dec. 1950 that subject from Oct. 20, 1949 to summer of 1950 resided at 533 S. Manhattan Place, Los Angeles, Calif.

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Informant advised in June, 1952 that subject was residing with CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND at 11506 E. Davenrich Street, Norwalk, California.

Informant advised in Nov. 1950 that CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND was a homo-sexual.

Informant stated that ROWLAND was a member of the Communist Party in Minneapolis, Minnesota during 1947.

J. Health:

T-9 Informant advised in Nov. 1950 that subject is a homo-sexual.

Informant advised in June, 1952 that it was his opinion, along with a number of individuals residing in the area where subject resides, that HULL was "sexually queer".

## II. CONNECTIONS WITH THE COMMUNIST PARTY

## A. Membership in the Communist Party:

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Informant advised in July, 1948 that subject was a Communist Party member in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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In July, 1949 according to informant, subject, ROBERT HULL, 533 S. Manhattan was assigned to the Midtown Division, LACCP from Minneapolis.

T-3

Subject in May, 1950 was a member of the South Tashjian Club, Midtown

Division, LACCP.

Subject in Aug. 1950 was a member of one of three squads that were formed as a breakdown of the South Tashjian Club, Midtown Division, LACCP. Informant further stated that subject was one of 5 Communist Party members who comprised Squad #2.

BOB HULL was expelled from the LACCP sometime during the summer of 1950 on charges of being a homo-sexual.

T-5

In Aug. 1951, according to a statement by informant, it was believed that HULL while a resident in Minneapolis, Minn:, was a member of the Communist Party.

## B. Positions Held in the Communist Party:

T-3

Informant stated in May, 1950 that HULL was Press Director of the South Tashjian Club, Midtown Division, LACCP.

As of June 7, 1950 subject was Press Director of the South Tashjian Club, Midtown Division, LACCP.

HULL as of June 29, 1950 was no longer Press Director of the above club and was now Organizational Secretary of this same club.

## C. Attendance at Communist Party Activities:

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On the night of May 10, 1950 subject was in attendance at a meeting of the South Tashjian Club, Midtown Division, LACCP, held at the home of EDGAR H. BRANDT, 447 S. Wilton Place, Los Angeles, Calif.

Subject on June 13, 1950 attended a meeting of the Midtown Division, LACCP held at the Park View Manor, 2200 West 7th Street, Los Angeles, Calif.

HULL was present on the night of June 25, 1950 at a meeting of the Midtown Division, LACCP, held at the Park View Manor, 2200 West 7th Street, Los Angeles, Calif.

Subject was present on June 28, 1950 at a meeting of the South Tashjian Club, Midtown Division, LACCP, which was held at the home of ED 200DLAW, 1136 N. Plymouth, Los Angeles, Calif.

Subject as Organizational Secretary of the South Tashjian Club, Midtown Division, LACCP, was present on July 5, 1950 at a meeting of this club held at the residence of DORAMKOLKY, 819 S. Harvard Boulevard, Los Angeles. Calif. BOB HULL, according to the informant, reported at this meeting that he had recruited a new individual Marto the club by the name of FRED PRICE, who was a student at the Metropolitan High School under the G.I. Bill. Some of the members of the club indicated apprehension concerning PRICE when his name was brought up for membership, feeling that he might possibly be a stool pigeon or a plant in the club. stated, however, that there was no real criticism of PRICE and that "if we took too much caution we would recruit no new members".

## III MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES WHICH INDICATED A FURTHERANCE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY

A. Hollywood Arts, Sciences & Professions Council (hereinafter referred to as Hollywood ASP):

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Informant advised in February, 1951 that the Hollywood ASP Council, which is the Southern California chapter of the National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions was the most important Communist controlled organization in the Hollywood professional field at that time and its policies paralleled the Communist Party line on all important issues. Membership in the Hollywood ASP Council, of itself, however, does not connote membership in or sympathy with the Communist Party.

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Informant advised in 1950 that subject was connected with the Hollywood ASP.

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Subject's name ROBERT HULL, 533 S. Manhattan Place, Los Angeles, Calif., as of September, 1951 appeared on a membership list of the Music Division, Southern California Chapter of the National Council of Arts, Sciences & Professions.

B. American Youth for Democracy (hereinafter referred to as AYD):

The Attorney General of the United States has declared the AYD as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

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Informant advised in July, 1948 that subject worked with AYD members in the 1948 elections at Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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On February 13, 1948 subject, a pianist, played the National Anthem at a rally against Universal Military Training at the AF of L Labor Temple, Minneapolis, Minnesota, which was sponsored by the AYD.

T-16

Informant furnished in March, 1948 a handbill which included subject's name advertising a benefit musical for the Minneapolis AYD to be held at the home of IRENE PAULL, Minneapolis, Minnesota, on March 7, 1948.

T-15

Informant advised that IRENE PAULL in 1948 was Executive Secretary of the Minneapolis Chapter of the Civil Rights Congress and a member of the Communist Party.

# C. Civil Rights Congress (hereinafter referred to as the CRC:

The Civil Rights Congress has been declared by the Attorney General of the United States as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

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Informant advised in March, 1948 that subject, ROBERT HULL, 303 Aurora, St. Paul, Minnesota, was associated with the CRC.

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Subject on Dec. 20, 1948 attended a dinner sponsored by the CRC held at the Phyllis Wheatley Settlement House, Minneapolis. Informant stated that GIL GREEN, one of the leaders of the Communist Party in Chicago, was the main speaker.

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D. The Worker:

The "Worker" is the Sunday edition of the Daily

The "Worker" is the Sunday edition of the Daily Worker, an East Coast Communist Party newspaper.

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On March 21, 1949 subject stated that he would be unable to sell copies of the "Worker" at the AF of L Hall in Minneapolis, Minn. because he had a meeting that evening.

## E. General:

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Informant advised in late August, 1950 that subject recruited FREDERICK C. PRICE into the LACCP in the latter part of June, 1950.

In Nov. 1950, according to informant. subject on July 20, 1950 voluntarily went to Mexico to escape a possible Communist roundup which he believed would result from the Korean\War. Informant advised that ANITA LANDA, Organizational Secretary of the South Tashjian Club, Midtown Division, LACCP. advised that subject had been expelled from the LACCP. ANITA further advised that subject is attempting to get the expelled charge changed to "dropped" in order that he may possibly re-enter the party at some future date. Informant further stated that subject came to Los Angeles approximately 12 years ago from Minneapolis, Minnesota where he had been granted a leave of absence by the Communist Party.

The following informants advised that they had no information concerning the subject's Communist Party activities:

T-18, who is generally cognizant of Communist Party activity in Los Angeles County.

T-19, who is acquainted with Communist Party activities in the general area where subject resides.

T-20 and T-21, who are generally familiar with Communist Party activities in the surrounding area resided in by subject.

T-22, who is cognizant of Communist Party activity in Norwalk, California.

T-23, who is familiar with activities of the Communist Party in the general area where subject resides.

## DESCRIPTION

Records of Bureau of Vital Statistics; T-2, & records of Los Angeles Police Department.

> Name: ROBERT BOOTH HULL

aka BOB HULL May 31, 1918 Birth:

Minneapolis, Minnesota

Weight: 120 to 130 lbs.

51611 Height: Eyes: Blue Occupation: Chemist

Identification Record:

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Father GEORGE ELLIOTT HULL Relatives: Mother - ELSIE MAEN BOOTH HULL

LAPD #160516

California Flax Seed Products Co. Employment: 3135 E. 26th St., Vernon, Calif.

Residence: 11506 E. Davenrich Street,

Norwalk, California

Race: White

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## ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND who resides with subject is currently on the Security Index, Bufile 100-355009.

Inasmuch as informants have reported subject being expelled from the LACCP and no Communist activity on subject's part since July, 1950 with the exception of the Hollywood ASP in September, 1951, it is requested that subject be interviewed.

A cover letter is accompanying the reports on HULL and ROWLAND setting forth pertinent information concerning Communist Party activity on the part of these individuals.

## LEADS:

## THE LOS ANGELES DIVISION

At Los Angeles, California: Will upon receipt of Bureau authority, Interview subject for information pertaining to the Communist Party and report results thereafter.

## INFORMANTS:

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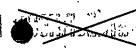
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T-5	CP.	Employment, membership, 8/51	8/2/51	GORDON B. PLAYMAN (orally)	100-6882- 17 (Mpls.file)	b2 b7D

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т-6	Pretext phone call to subject employment.		6/24/52	_	(orally)	b6 b7c
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T-10		Documentation of ROWLAND	1947	SAs at Minneapol	is	
T-11	Photographic copies of CP transfer & dr not of eviden value.		7/9/49	JESSE STRIDER	100-1763- 1B13, Vol.11, pg. 39 (LA file)	b2 b7D b6 b7C
T-12		Documentation of Hollywood ASP.	2/20/51	MARCUS M. BRIGHT (oral)	100-18355 (LA file)	
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# UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :	DIRECTOR, FBI (100-392963) DATE:
GEROM:	SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-31390)
subject:	ROBERT BOOTH HULL SM-C SM-C Card Filed 9-17-8-2/325
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deted July 16 and 17, 1952, and your letter dated July 17, 1952.

Duronu authority is granted to interview the subjects. In conducting those interviews you should be mided by oristing Burent instructions relating to interviews with security subjects.

Whather these interviews are a coducted coperately or jointly is being left to the discretion of the interviews interviews are not the security agents. The results of these interviews should be submitted to lie Bureau in report form suitable for disceningtion.

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(Note on yellow only).

Rowland is SI subject. No activity since 1949. Hull is not an SI subject. Referenced letter summarizes activities. Subjects are residing together and allegedly homosexual.

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## FÉDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject currently residing at 11506 East Davenrich Street, Norwalk, and employed in lab, California Flax Seed Products Company, 3135 East 26th Street, Vernon. HULL interviewed at residence on 8/28/52 and stated he did not care to talk with the FBI.

DETAILS:

## Residence

Subject stated upon interview on August 28, 1952, that he resided at 11506 East Davenrich Street. Norwalk. California.

Employment

Subject is currently employed in the lab of the California Flax Seed Products Company 3135 East 26th Street, Vernon, California.

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## II. RESULTS OF INTERVIEW

ROBERT BOOTH HULL was interviewed at his residence on August 28, 1952, by SA's and the writer.

HULL at the outset of the interview stated "It is not required for me to talk to the FBI it it?". After being informed by the interviewing agents that he was not required to talk to the FBI. HULL responded "Well Let's leave it at that then. I don't care to talk with you". The interview was then terminated.



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## ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

In view of the fact that all pertinent data pertaining to the subject was reported in rerep, the initial report in instant case, a summary report is not being prepared.

ROWLAND, a security index subject (Bufile 100-355009).

Inasmuch as subject was a member of the South Tashjian Club, Midtown Division, Los Angeles County Communist Party in July, 1950; a member of the Hollywood Arts, Sciences, and Professions Council in September, 1951; the fact that HULL resides with a security index subject, and subject's refusal to talk to the FBI, it is felt that subject's sympathies still tend toward the Communist Party.

In view of the above, it is recommended that subject be included on the Security Index.

Form FD-122 is being submitted.

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## LEADS

## LOS ANGELES OFFICE

At Los Angeles, California: Will upon receipt of Bureau authority place subject on the security index and thereafter close this case administratively.

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## BACKGROUND

## BIRTH DATA

Records, Bureau of Vital Statistics State Office Building St. Paul, Minnesota:

## EDUCATION

Records, University of Minnesota Minneapolis, Minnesota:

HULL entered the University of Minnesota Institute of Technology - Chemistry on January 4, 1940, and received a degree of Bachelor of Chemistry on June 12, 1943. He transferred to the University from the St. Louis Institute of Music. On November 6, 1943, subject entered the University of Minnesota Graduate School and enrolled in several agricultural biochemistry courses. This registration was cancelled in the winter quarter of 1947. University records further reflect that subject attended the Minnesota College of Music graduating on May 29, 1936.

## MILITARY SERVICE

<u>T-1:</u>

HULL was classified 4-F by Selective Service during World War II.

## <u>IDENTIFICATION</u>

Identification Division Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D.C.:

Under FBI No. 194601B the subject's Identification

Record discloses that he was fingerprinted by the Los Angeles, California, Police Department as ROBERT BOOTH HULL, Los Angeles Police Department No. 160516, on January 26, 1951. HULL was arrested on a charge of loitering in bus depot (MC 42.11.1). No disposition of this charge is shown.

The records of the Los Angeles Police Department and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office were checked on February 8, 1954, by SE BERNARD W. MC CARTHY withno further information being obtained under subject's name.

## MARITAL STATUS

<u>T-21</u>:

In January, 1954, subject was not married.

## EMPLOYMENT

<u>T-3</u>:

On February 4, 1954, HULL was employed at the California Flax Seed Products Company, 2135 East 26th Street, Vernon, California.

T-4:

On August 13, 1953, HULL was employed at the California Flax Seed Products Company, Vernon, California.

T-5:

On June 24, 1952, HULL was working in the laboratory of the California Flax Seed Products Company, Vernon, California.

T-6 advised in 1951 that while subject was a resident of Minnespolis, Minnesota, he was considered to be a concert planist.

T-7; unknown reliability, a former acquaintance of subject:

HULL was employed as a teacher of music at the Neighborhood Music School, 358 South Boyle, Los Angeles, California, from October 20, 1949, to the summer of 1950.

Records, McPhail School of Music Minneapolis, Minnesota:

HULL was a student and part-time teacher at McPhail School of Music, Minneapolis, Minnesota, from November, 1946, to April, 1947, and also taught part time at this School from November, 1948, to July, 1949.

Records, University of Minneapolis Graduate School, Minneapolis, Minnesota:

HULL's record at this School discloses that in 1947 he was employed as a chemist by Spencer Kellogg and Sons, Inc., no address or date were given.

## RESIDENCE

T-21:

On January 25, 1954, ROBERT HULL resided at 11334 Cecelia in Norwalk, California.

T-9:

On August 13, 1953, subject resided at 11506 East Davenrich Street, Norwalk, California

Records, Registrar of Voters
Los Angeles County, California:

On August 27, 1952, HULL resided at 1886 Preston Avenue, Los Angeles.

T-2; unknown reliability, a neighbor of subject:

In June, 1952, HULL was residing with one, CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, at 11506 East Davenrich Street, Norwalk, California.

T-10; unknown reliability, a former self-admitted member of the Communist Party:

In November, 1950, CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND was said AL to be a homosexual.

T-11:

CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND was a member of the Communist Party in Minneapolis, Minnesota, in 1947.

 $\underline{T-7}$ : (Supra)

From October 20, 1949, until the summer of 1950, HULL resided at 533 South Manhattan Place, Los Angeles, California.

T-12:

On October 11, 1948, HULL resided at 324 - 12th Avenue, S.E., Minneapolis, Minnesota.

T-13:

In March, 1948, subject resided at 303 Aurora Street, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Records, University of Minnesota Graduate School, Minneapolis, Minnesota:

In 1943 HULL's residence was shown as 285 Buford Street, St. Paul, Minnesota.

## HEALTH

T-10:

In November, 1950, T-10 advised that HULL was a homosexual.

<u>T-2</u>: (Supra)

In June, 1952, T-2 advised that it was his opinion as well as the opinion of a number of individuals residing in the area where subject lives that HULL was "sexually queer."

## COMMUNIST PARTY (CP) MEMBERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES

T-12:

In July, 1948, HULL was a CP member in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

<u>T-14:</u>

In July, 1949, ROBERT HULL, 533 South Manhattan, Los Angeles, had been transferred from the CP in Minneapolis, Minnesota, to the Mid-town Division of the Los Angeles County-Communist Party (LACCP).

<u>T-10</u>: (Supra)

Information provided by T-10 in late August, 1950, the disclosed that HULL had recruited one, FREDERICK CAPRICE into LHL the LACCP in the latter part of June, 1950.

T-10 advised in November, 1950, that HULL on July 20, 1950, voluntarily went to Mexico to escape a possible Communist roundup which he believed would result from the Korean war.

T-10 stated that ANIPAXIANDA, Organizational Secretary of the South Tashjian Club, Mid-town Division, LACCP, had stated that the subject had been expelled from the LACCP. LANDA further advised that HULL was attempting to get the expelled charge

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changed to "dropped" in order that he might possibly re-enter the CP at a future date. T-10 said that HULL had come to Los Angeles from Minneapolis, Minnesota, where he had been granted a leave of absence from the CP.

## T-1:

HULL, in May, 1950, was a member of the South Tashjian Club, Mid-town Division, LACCP.

Subject, in August, 1950, was a member of one of three squads formed as a breakdown of the South Tashjian Club, Mid-town Division, LACCP. HULL was one of five of CP members who composed Squad No. 2. T-1 said that HULL was expelled from the LACCP during the summer of 1950 on charges of being a homosexual.

T-1 advised in May, 1950, that HULL was Press Director of the South Tashjian Club, Mid-town Division, LACCP.

As of June 7, 1950, HULL was Press Director of the South Tashjian Club of the LACCP.

Information provided by T-1 on June 29, 1950, disclosed that HULL was no longer Press Director of the South Tashjian Club but was then Organizational Secretary of this Club.

On May 10, 1950, HULL attended a meeting of the South Tashjian Club of the LACCP which meeting was held at 447 South Wilton Place, Los Angeles.

## COMMUNIST PARTY MISCELLANEOUS

T-21 and T-22, who are familiar with Communist activities in the Los Angeles area, advised on January 25 and February 8, 1954, respectively, that they have no information concerning recent CP activities on the part of HULL.

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At the outset of the interview HULL stated: "It is not required for me to talk to the FBI, is it?" After being informed by the interviewing Agents that he was not required to talk to the FBI, HULL responded, "Well, let's leave it at that then. I don't care to talk with you." The interview was then terminated.

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

## CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS (CRC)

The CRC has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

## T-13:

In March, 1948, ROBERT HULL, 303 Aurora Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, was associated with the CRC.

## T-15:

On December 20, 1948, HULL attended a dinner sponsored by the CRC which dinner was held at the Phyllis Wheatley Settlement House, Minneapolis, Minnesota. The main speaker was said to be GIL GREEN, a CP functionary in the Chicago, Illinois, area.

## AMERICAN YOUTH FOR DEMOCRACY (AYD)

The AYD has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

## T-12:

Information provided in July, 1948, disclosed that HULL worked with AYD members of the 1948 elections at Minneapolis.

## <u>T-16</u>:

In March, 1948, a handbill was made available which showed subject's name as advertising a benefit musical for the

Minneapolis AYD which was to be held at the home of one, IRENE PAULL, Minneapolis, on March 7, 1948.

T-15:

IRENE PAULL, in 1948, was Executive Secretary of 1/1111 / the Minneapolis Chapter of the CRC and was a member of the CP.

On February 13, 1948, ROBERT HULL, a pianist, played the National Anthem at a rally opposing universal military training. This rally was sponsored by the AYD and was held at the American Federal of Labor, Labor Temple, Minneapolis.

"THE WORKER" - Sunday edition of the "Daily Worker," an East Coast Communist newspaper

T-17:

On March 21, 1949, HULL stated that he would be unable to sell copies of "The Worker" at the American Federation of Labor Hall at Minneapolis on that evening because of another commitment.

### INDEPENDENT PROGRESSIVE PARTY (IPP)

T-23, on September 2, 1953, advised that the IPP in Los Angeles County is under the complete control of the CP which sets its organizational goals, organizes its forces, and assigns its leadership. Membership in the IPP, however, does not of itself indicate CP membership on the part of any particular member.

Registrar of Voters, Los Angeles County 808 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, California:

The records of the Registrar of Voters, Los Angeles County, which were checked on February 8, 1954, by SE BERNARD W. MC CARTHY, disclosed that subject's current registration was completed on August 27, 1952, at which time he indicated his intention to affiliate with the IPP.

HOLLYWOOD ARTS, SCIENCES, AND PROFESSIONS COUNCIL (HOLLYWOOD ASPC)

T-1.8;

On February 20, 1951, informant advised that the Hollywood ASPC, which is the Southern California Chapter of the National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions, was the most important Communist-controlled organization in the Hollywood professional field at that time and its policies parallel the CP line on all important issues. Membership in the Hollywood ASPC of itself, however, does not connote membership in or sympathy with the CP.

T-19:

In 1950 HULL was associated with the Hollywood ASP.

T-20:

The name of ROBERT HULL, 533 South Manhattan Street, Los Angeles, California, in September, 1951, appeared on a membership list of the Music Division, Southern California Chapter of the National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions.

#### DESCRIPTION

The following description of the subject has been obtained from the records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, St. Paul, Minnesota; the records of the Identification Division Records, Washington, D.C.; and from T-2:

SUMMENT BOOTH MILL Name: 1918, Minneapolis, Minnesota May 31, Born: Race: White Male Sex: 515" Height: Weight: 120 Hair: Brown Blue Eyes:

FBI No.:

194601B

Los Angeles Police

Department No.:

160506

Marital Status:

Single

Employed:

California Flax Seed Products Company, 2135 East 26th Street,

Vernon, California

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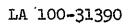
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It is recommended that ROBERT HULL be continued on the Security Index because of his present CP membership and activities, is currently residing with an SI subject, and because of his uncooperativeness on interview.

HULL currently resides with CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, an SI subject, Bufile 100-355009, Los Angeles file 100-30913.

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SUBJECT:

ROBERT BOOTH HULL SECURITY MATTER - C (00: Los Angeles)

REFERENCE

SAC Letter No. 55-30.

SUCCINCT RESUME OF CASE

The subject was a member of the Communist Party (CP): in 1948, 1949, and 1950. In 1950, the subject recruited one person into the Los Angeles County Communist Party (LACCP). In 1950, the subject went to Mexico to escape possible roundup of CP members. In 1950, the subject was expelled from the LACCP on charges of being a homosexual. After the subject was expelled, he attempted to have the expelled charges against him changed to "dropped" in order that he might possibly re-enter the CP at a future date. In 1948, the subject attended a dinner sponsored by the Civil Rights Congress (CRC). In 1948, the subject worked with members of the American Youth for Democracy (AYD). In 1952, the subject registered to vote and indicated his desire to affiliate with the Independent Progressive Party (IPP). In 1954, HULL was still affiliated with the IPP. In 1950 and 1951, the subject was associated with the Hollywood Arts, Sciences and Professions Council (HASP). In 1952, the subject refused to be interviewed by the FBI.

RECOMMENDATION

Retain on Security Index.

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The subject was a member of the LACCP in 1950 and tried to have his expulsion from the CP in 1950 changed to a drop so he could rejoin the CP at some future date; therefore, it is recommended that he be retained on the Security Index.

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- 1. The subject is not tabbed Detcom or Comsab.
- 2. No recommendation to tab the subject under the provisions of SAC Letter No. 55-12(A) has been made.
- 3. No tabbing is recommended for the subject.

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As of February 4. 1955, HULL resided at the above mentioned address.

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As of September 21, 1954; HULL resided at 11334 Cecelia, Norwalk, California

#### EMPLOYMENT

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As of June 28 1955; HULL was employed in the Laboratory of the California Flax Seed Products Company; 3135 East 26th Street, Vernon, California

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As of February 4, 1955, HULL was employed at the above mentioned firm.

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#### IDENTIFICATION

Identification Division Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Washington, D.C.

Under FBI No. 194601B, HULL's Identification Record disclosed the following information:

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#### Los Angeles Police Department:

by SE The files of this agency were checked on June 28, 1955, by SE They contained no information other than what is set forth above.

#### Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office

On June 28. 1955 a check of the records of this agency was made by SE No information identical with HULL was located.

#### CONNECTIONS WITH THE COMMUNIST PARTY (CP)

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Informant, who has general knowledge of CP activity in the Los Angeles area; advised that as of June 27, 1955, he had no information of CP affiliation concerning HULL.

#### activities indicating a furtherance of the CP program

### INDEPENDENT PROGRESSIVE PARTY (IPP)

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The informant advised on May 17, 1954, that the IPP in Los Angeles County is under the complete control of the CP

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which sets its organizational goals, organizes its forces, and assigns its leadership. Membership in the IPP, however, of itself, does not indicate CP membership on the part of any particular member.

Records, Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters Los Angeles, California

As of September 24, 1954; ROBERT'S HULL; 11506 East Davenrich Street, Norwalk, California, was registered at the above agency and had indicated his intention to affiliate with the IPP.

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As of August 13, 1953, HULL resided at the above mentioned address.

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#### ADMINISTRATIVE

ROBERT BOOTH HULL is on the Security Index of the Los Angeles Office.

He has been personally observed by agents of this

His Security Index card has been reviewed and found to be current.

As previously reported, HULL was a member of the CP in 1948, 1949, and 1950. In 1950 he was expelled from the CP on charges of being a homosexual. Subsequent to that time he attempted to have these charges changed to "dropped" in order that he might re-enter the CP at a later date.

In view of his attempt to re-enter the CP after his expulsion in 1950, it is recommended that HULL be retained on the Security Index.

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ROBERT BOOTH HULL SECURITY MATTER -

Reurlet June 16, 1955, recommending that subject be retained on the Security Index.

It is noted that subject has not been active in Communist Party since he was expelled in the Summer of 1950. It is also noted that he has not been active in a front group in a leadership capacity during the past three years.

As he does not meet the revised criteria for the Security Index his name is being removed.

You should remain elect for information which might place subject within the criteria for the Security Index in which event you will submit the proper recommendation

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